

City of Detroit
Department of Recreation Performance Audit
Exhibit 1 – Belle Isle

Belle Isle

Overall Evaluation – Fair Condition

- Playgrounds lacked safety surface materials.
- Climbing apparatus had peeling paint.
- Some swings were broken or missing.
- Basketball court surfaces were in generally good condition.
- Basketball hoops and backboards were in generally good condition.
- Baseball playing surfaces were hard and uneven and in need of athletic mill (infield surface material).
- Backstops had broken fences and broken boards.
- Low fences at bench areas did not provide adequate protection for players.
- Weeds were growing on the baseball infields.
- Large divots in the infield were a safety hazard.
- Some shelters were well maintained while other were in unusable.
- Restrooms were in poor physical condition and not satisfactorily cleaned.
- The Casino exterior had crumbling stairs and sidewalks while the interior was well maintained.
- The boat club was in hazardous physical condition.



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Playgrounds

Overall Evaluation – Fair Condition

- Three of four areas lacked safety surface materials.
- Climbing apparatus had peeling paint and rust.
- Five of sixty-six swings were missing.
- Eight of sixty-six swings were broken.



This climbing apparatus had rust and peeling paint. The area lacked safety surface materials.

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This swing set had a broken swing and no safety surface materials.



This play area had a nice climbing apparatus made of plastic materials and safety surface materials.